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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street SW
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Re: PS Docket No. 11-15
Ex Parte Notice

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, September 27, 2012, L. Barbee Ponder IV, General Counsel & Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, for Globalstar, Inc. ("Globalstar"); Bob Buckle of Intelcomm, Ltd.; Steve Berman of Lawler, Metzger, Keeney & Logan, LLC; and I met with Gene Fullano, Behzad Ghaffari, Brian Hurley, Steve Maguire, Eric Panketh, and Rasoul Safavian of the Federal Communications Commission's Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau.

At this meeting, Globalstar's representatives provided information regarding an Emergency Response Interoperable Communications ("ERIC") system that utilizes Globalstar's Mobile Satellite Service ("MSS") network for backhaul to the public switched telephone network. As Globalstar described in its comments filed in the Commission's above-captioned proceeding on deployable aerial communications architecture ("DACA"), this ground-based system represents a rapid, cost-efficient means of deploying reliable and interoperable communications to areas where terrestrial communications are disabled following a catastrophic event. In adopting new or amended rules for the operation of temporary, emergency communications networks during and after such disasters, the Commission should craft a regulatory framework that encompasses not only DACA facilities, but also ground-based deployments like the ERIC system that offer similar benefits and potentially some advantages over aerial operations.

Globalstar's representatives also provided an update on Globalstar's ongoing deployment of its second-generation Big LEO satellite network. Globalstar to date has launched the first eighteen satellites of its second-generation MSS constellation, and an additional launch of six satellites is expected in early 2013. Once operational, Globalstar's state-of-the-art second-generation MSS network should support reliable voice and data service for first responders and other emergency personnel in the United States and internationally well into the next decade.

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Pursuant to section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2), this *ex parte* notification is being filed electronically for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

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